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" May you be tortured living, burned when dead,
Your camels die, and virtue leave your wife."
But he, who sat beneath the Peepul, said :
" Why wish him more than average human life ? "

At Simrok Tank.

IT is said that the Jumna is connected with our Karma, with the rewards and punishments of the life of the flesh, as the Ganges bears us to the life of the spirit. That on its banks is the City of Retribution as by the Gunga is the City of Refuge. In Kashi we are told there are temples so holy that he who once crosses their portals is absolved from his past for evermore, but in Indrasprastha the Aveng-ing Angel spares not.

What strange scenes have those winding waters witnessed from the days when Timur the Moghul prayed in the wayside mosque their ripples lap, to when Theophilus Metcalfe gazed across their floods in fear of the last Moghul behind the rose-red turret walls.

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